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WISE EVENTS HIGHLIGHT WELLNESS FESTIVAL/FAIR

Governor Jim Martin proclaimed May as Wellness Month in North Carolina to encourage state employees to support and take part in several important events scheduled as part of this observance. About fifty SIPS employees took part in the events which were designed to promote healthy lifestyles.

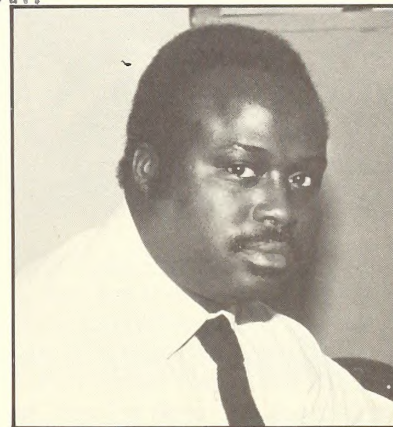
State employees had the opportunity to have a panel of blood chemistries tested on May 3 and 4. Dorothea Dix Clinical Laboratory provided this service for a nominal fee of \$5. The tests included sodium, potassium, glucose, calcium, and cholesterol, just to name a few. The results of the blood work were provided at the Health Fair on May 23-25.

The Health Fair offered wellness exhibits, as well as a variety of health screenings. The screenings included blood pressure, height/weight/skin fold, glaucoma, foot, flexibility, and cholesterol.

The 1988 WISE Festival on May 26 officially kicked off the Century Walking Club, a fitness program designed to recognize state employees who walk 100 miles during a one year period.

First Lady Mrs. Dottie Martin and Mayor Avery Upchurch led an estimated 800 state employees on a one mile walk through downtown Raleigh. The festival also featured a carousel of entertainment with education exhibits, live music, mimes, clowns, refreshments, prizes, and free balloons.

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Joe Lassiter

LASSITER PROMOTED

Joe Lassiter has been promoted to the position of Data Processing Training Specialist in Client Support Services. He began his new duties on April 1. Prior to this appointment, Joe was a Computer Operator III in the State Computer Center.

At the SIPS Training Center, Joe will help administer all training courses including Interactive Video Instruction, computer-based training, and video assisted instruction. In addition, he will help develop the training curriculum and publish the curriculum catalogue.

Joe has worked for seven years at SIPS, and served in state government for a total of fourteen years. He began his government career as an Officer with the State Capitol Police. Joe and his wife Helen live in Raleigh with their two children.



STEPPING OUT - Mayor Avery Upchurch and First Lady Dottie Martin lead a one mile fun walk at the 1988 WISE Festival. See page 3 for more on the Festival and Health Fair.



SECRETARIES WEEK SURPRISE! Manager Richard Kelly thought he'd reward his Secretary Brenda Stovall with something really special and unique for National Secretaries Week - something to epitomize the respect of an appreciative boss. Here, Brenda inhales Richard's handiwork - the fragrance of dead flowers in a styrofoam cup with a 'card' handwritten on a napkin. Brenda was also wined and dined with a candy bar and a coupon for a free whoper. Later, Richard removed his tongue from his cheek, and he and Brenda had a good laugh. Richard also treated Brenda to a delicious lunch at Sisters Garden of Eating in Raleigh.

WELCOME BACK CHARLIE

We are all thankful that our Chief Executive **Charlie Williams** is back at work following successful eye surgery in April. Charlie suffered a detached retina in the left eye, while the retina in the right eye was torn. The injuries occurred during a business trip in Jacksonville, Florida.

Although he is still recovering, Charlie has had a dramatic improvement in his vision and the doctors are very optimistic.

KLEEBERG WINS TOP PHOTO AWARDS

Lyndia Kleeberg, Director of Kleeberg Studio in Raleigh, has earned coveted recognition from her fellow professional photographers. Lyndia is the wife of **Richard Kleeberg**, an Applications Development Manager at SIPS.

She won four top awards; two of them were first place in the portrait categories. She was also honored by having all six of her entries chosen to hang in the Exhibition of Professional Photography. The exhibition was held in Winston-Salem during the week of March 19-23 as part of the Professional Photographers of North Carolina (PPNC) 60th State Convention.

Lyndia received the additional honor of having two of her excellent portraits selected to hang in the "Traveling Loan Collection" which consists of some 20 distinguished photographs that will be exhibited in several cities in North Carolina next year.

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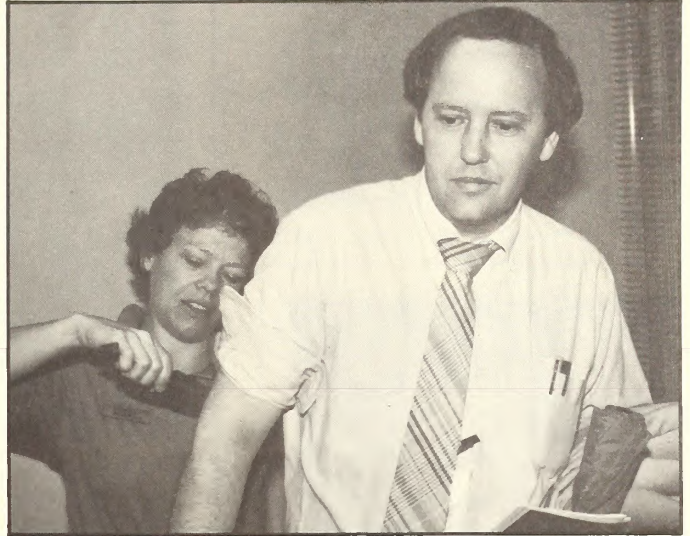
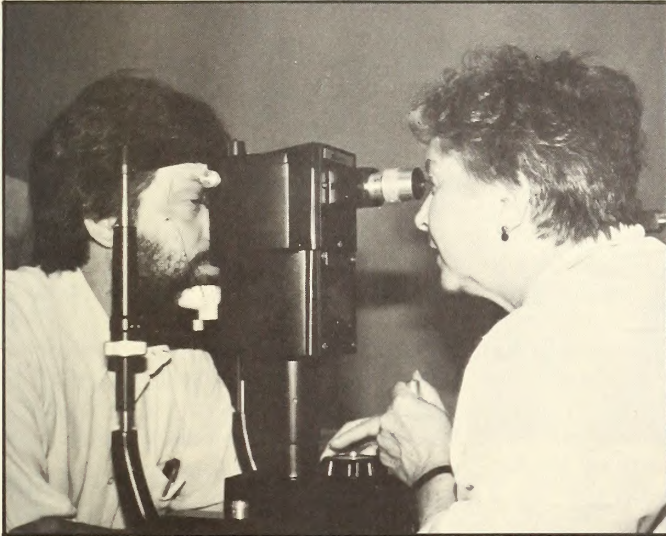
Charlie Williams
Chief of SIPS

Chuck McLendon
Editor

SEMINAR SHARPENS SKILLS

Wanda Daughtry and **Brenda Stovall** successfully completed a full day training seminar entitled "The Secretarial Seminar". The program, sponsored by The Business Women's Training Institute, was held May 19th at the Capitol Square Holiday Inn in downtown Raleigh. The seminar is nationally recognized for excellence in continuing education. Wanda is a Secretary in DMV Systems Development, while Brenda is a Secretary for the State Data Network.

1988 WISE FESTIVAL/HEALTH FAIR



PROMOTING GOOD HEALTH - Larry Leis (left) and Bruce Garner are just two of the many SIPS employees who took part in the May Health Fair at the Labor Building in downtown Raleigh. Here, Larry is screened for glaucoma by Marie Perry, a glaucoma technician with the National Society to Prevent Blindness. Meanwhile, Bruce is tested for body weight composition using the skin fold method. The test is given by Debbie Bickford, an instructor at Spa Health Club.

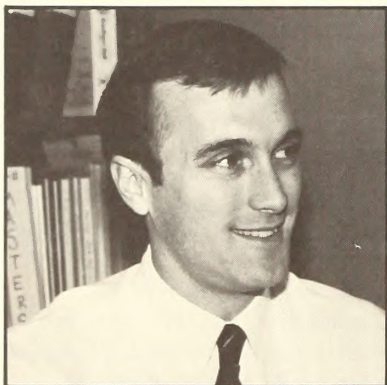


FESTIVAL FUN - A good turnout of SIPS employees had fun at the recent WISE Festival. In the left photo, a happy group from SIPS are among the hundreds of spectators enjoying the entertainment. They are (back row left to right): Theresa Bell, Paul Young, and Charles Creech; front row Cathy Rodden (left) and Barbara Watkins. About 15 SIPS employees were on hand for the one-mile fun walk which kicked off the Century Walking Club. Shown here left to right are Sheila Morrison, Kit Brown, and Fred Allen.



HEMPHILL NAMED TO HEAD FUSE

Kelly Hemphill was recently re-elected President of Carolina Regional FUSE (FOCUS Users for Systems Enhancements). Carolina FUSE is a subsidiary of FUSE Incorporated, an international non-profit organization with chapters in Europe and throughout North America.



Kelly Hemphill

FOCUS is a fourth generation programming language that enables users to develop, maintain, and report from mainframe and personal computer data bases.

Kelly heads the three-state regional FUSE chapter composed of 50 members from North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia. He also serves as Project Administrator for the National Board. Kelly Hemphill is an Information Center Consultant in Client Support Services.

Kelly described FUSE as a dynamic and growing organization dedicated to education, communication with Information Builders (authors of FOCUS), and to providing a forum for members to promote FOCUS.

Fred Taggart, who is also an Information Center Consultant in Client Support Services, was recently elected to serve on the Carolina FUSE steering committee.

WELCOME TO THE SEANC TEAM

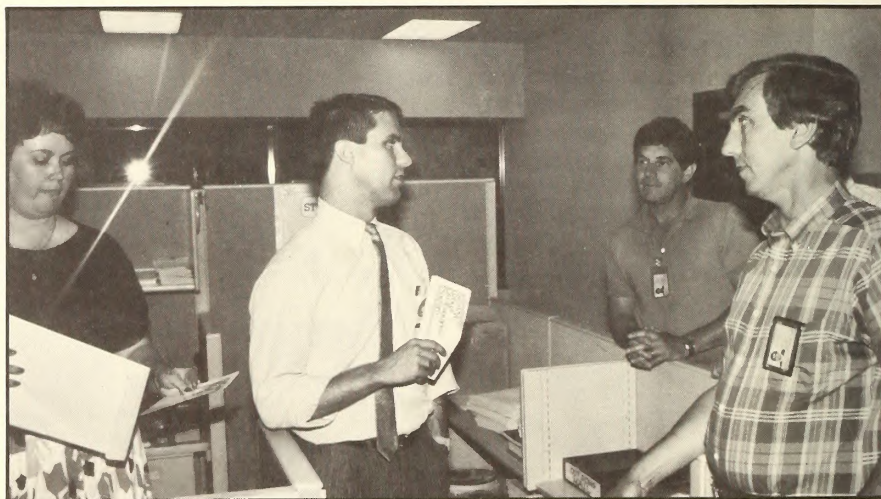
by **Duane Smith**
Chairperson, District 29

I would like to thank all of you in DMV and SIPS for your support this year during my term as Chairman. The membership blitz we had the week of May 23 was a total success. We added almost 100 new members to our family. We are looking forward to more persons joining within the near future. If you are one of the persons that are not sure if you want to join our family, please talk to me or someone on the board so that we may answer any questions you might have. I would also like to welcome the new members and let them know if they have any questions please give me a call at 733-5555 extension 330.

I would like to thank everyone who submitted an application for the Nancy Kelly Scholarship this year. We had two winners who each received \$150. They were selected on the basis of merit and need. The two winners are Todd Faison, son of Ann Faison, and Mark Pearce, the son of Becky Pearce. Congratulations guys!!!

Tickets are now on sale for a chance to win a car and 2 round trip airline tickets to Paris, France. See any member of the board to purchase your tickets (\$1 each).

In addition, discount tickets are now available for movies and theme parks like Disney World, Busch Gardens, Kings Dominion, Carowinds, and more. For more information, please get in touch with Wanda Daughtry at extension 312.



SCENIC DRIVE- District 29 of the State Employees Association of North Carolina (SEANC) held a membership drive at SIPS during the week of May 23rd. Here, SEANC Executive Tim Rogers (left) discusses the advantages of membership with Dean Jackson (center) and Dorsey Jackson of DMV/DOT Systems Development. The SIPS drive resulted in 18 new members joining the association, while Dale Clark's DMV team reached their goal of 100 per cent participation.



BRIDE AND GROOM - Francis "Skip" Coup and Janet Marie Painter exchanged marriage vows on Valentine's Day (February 14) at Everett's Chapel in Clayton. Skip is a Computer Operator III at SIPS, while Janet is a private secretary at Roebuck Homes. The couple live in Knightdale. We wish them a life filled with happiness.

CAPITAL VACATION

Joyce Martin recently led a group of twenty-six senior citizens on an exciting four-day trip to the nation's capital. The group were all members of Temple Baptist Church in Raleigh.

While in Washington, the group stayed busy touring national attractions including the Smithsonian Institute (where Joyce carefully touched a moon rock), the Air and Space Museum, Jefferson Memorial, and Lincoln Memorial. In addition, the church delegation enjoyed seeing the Vietnam Memorial, and Mount Vernon. At Arlington Cemetery they visited the Kennedy grave sites, and saw the impressive changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Joyce was most impressed by the dramatic Vietnam Memorial, and found "the wall" to be a very moving experience.

Joyce is a Secretary in the State Computer Center.



Joyce Martin

BUILDING EVACUATION REMINDER

An important part of our SIPS safety program is each employee's responsibility to evacuate the building in case of an emergency.

Just a reminder that if it is necessary for any reason to evacuate the building, report to your assigned area. Exit information is mounted on the walls of major thoroughfares, as are instructions to be followed in case of a fire or bomb threat. Please locate these instructions, and take a moment to read them.

When the building fire horn sounds, **EMPLOYEES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY EVACUATE THE BUILDING** and go to the outside assembly areas (do not speculate whether or not it is a false alarm.) There are designated individuals to check specific areas to ensure that everyone has left the premises, therefore you should not delay evacuation to search for other people. Some doors in the building close automatically when the fire alarm sounds. If you exit through them, leave the door closed. Also, do not enter any room if the Halon fire suppression system warning light is activated. It is located above the doors to the Computer Center.

If any employee receives a bomb threat or any call threatening an act of sabotage that could endanger the safety of others, call the Capital Police at 733-4646 immediately after the caller hangs up. Then contact the Business Services Section at extension 261 or 262.

The exact procedures for handling a fire evacuation or bomb threat are listed in the Personal Security and Crime Prevention Handbook for State Employees. There are also instructions in the SIPS Employee Information Handbook. Please read them carefully.

SCOUTING FAMILY STYLE

Scouting is a family affair for the Daughtrys of Garner. **Wanda Daughtry**, a Data Processing Coordinator for SIPS DMV/DOT Systems Development, is a Den Leader of Cub Scout Pack 64. The pack is part of the Tuscarora Council of the Boys Scouts of America, headquartered in Johnston County.

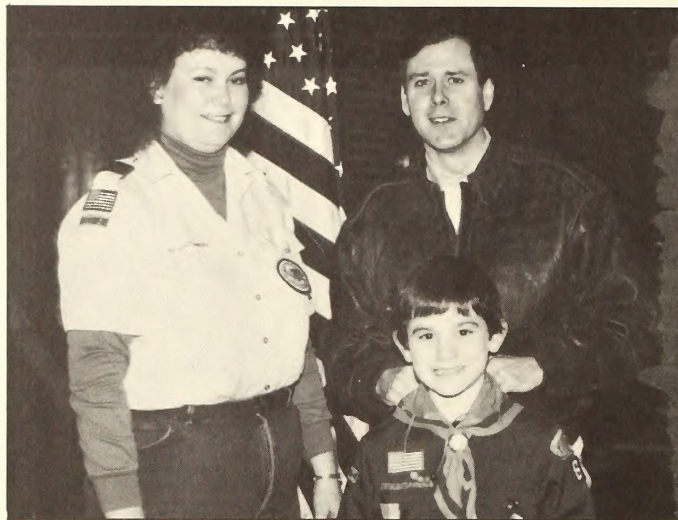
Wanda's husband Luther is an Assistant Leader in the pack, while her seven-year-old son Jeffrey is one of six cub scouts in the pack's den.

Pack 64 has been very active and busy in 1988. In January, Jeffrey won first place in the Pinewood Derby, a race between wooden miniature cars built by the scouts and their fathers.

WRAL-TV sports personality Tom Suiter was the guest speaker at the pack's Blue and Gold Banquet in February.

In May, approximately 2,000 scouts, leaders, and parents took part in a Jamboree (with the theme "The Adventure Begins") near Clayton which included camping out, building log forts, and letting the boys demonstrate their scouting skills. Blue ribbons were presented to Pack 64 at the camp site.

In June, Pack 64 took part in the Summer Olympics at Bingham Park in Smithfield. The theme of the event was "The Training Center." The athletic competition included the javelin, high jump, sit-ups, the softball throw, as well as other events. Ribbons were awarded to all participants.



STAR ATTRACTION - WRAL television personality Tom Suiter, a former scout, was the main speaker at Pack 64's Blue and Gold Banquet. Here, Tom joins Wanda and Jeffrey Daughtry for a photo session.

MYSTERY LADY — GUESS WHO?



Hint: This beautiful baby has grown into a sassy lady with good looks, intelligence, and a winning personality. She dresses to "kill", and loves microwave popcorn and Bruce Springsteen.

MOORING RUNS GRRR

Luby Mooring was one of the 2,000 runners competing in the 1988 Great Raleigh Road Race in April. He finished the 10 kilometer, or 6 mile, course in 40:21. His personal best is 39 minutes flat. Luby is a serious runner who is now training an average of 30-35 miles, 6 days a week. He enters many 5K and 10K races, and also likes to compete in one marathon every year. In March, he completed the Shamrock Marathon in Virginia Beach in 3 hours and 14 minutes. Luby, a member of the North Carolina Roadrunners Club, trained 60 miles a week to prepare for the marathon. Luby is an Applications Analyst Programmer in DMV Systems Development.



ROAD RACER - Luby Mooring (center) shows the intensity of the long distance runner in this 6K race. Luby is one of many Triangle competitors in the North Carolina Roadrunners Club.



DEDICATED VOLUNTEER - Denny McGuire recently received a surprise gift of roses and a balloon for her outstanding volunteer work on behalf of the YWCA of Wake County. She serves on the Board of Directors and is Treasurer of the local non-profit organization. On May 5, Denny made an important presentation to the United Way as part of the YWCA's fund raising drive for 1989. Denny is one of SIPS Office Automation Consultants.



FLOWER CHILD - Jo Anne Regan enjoys a vase of beautiful spring daffodils grown in her home garden in Angier. She also grows azaleas, wild flowers, pansies, and summer flowers. Jo Anne, who was raised on a farm, says she always loved to work in a garden as a child, and finds gardening a great stress reliever. Jo Anne is a Telecommunications Analyst in the State Telecommunications Office.

